



OUR LADY of MT CARMEL CHURCH BULLETIN

2nd Sunday Easter (Divine Mercy), 19 April 2020, Year A



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MASS INTENTIONS



2nd Sunday Easter, 19 April ... Feast of Divine Mercy

Saturday Mass Intention for George Cutri (RIP 6th Anniversary)

Sunday Mass Intention for Holy Souls in Purgatory
Holy Souls in Purgatory



Monday 20 April

NO 7 - 9pm Holy Trinity Prayer Group



Tuesday 21 April ... St Anselm

Mass Intention for Emil Jurica (RIP)

Wednesday 22 April

Mass Intention for Sr Canisius Mladinich (RIP)

NO Morning Tea after Mass

NO 10.30am Legion of Mary

NO 7 - 8pm Eucharistic Adoration



Thursday 23 April ... St George & St Adalbert

NO 8.15am Mass at Seton Catholic College

Mass Intention for Matilde Abreu (RIP)

Friday 24 April

Mass Intention for Conceicao Maocheia (RIP)

NO 9.30-10.30am Eucharistic Adoration



Saturday 25 April ... ANZAC Day

NO Mass Intention for Joao & Agostinha Maocheia (RIP)

3rd Sunday Easter, 26 April

Saturday Mass Intention for Holy Souls in Purgatory

Sunday Mass Intention for Healing for Coronavirus Victims
Holy Souls in Purgatory



Fr Paul offers Masses privately. He prays for all and we are all united in our prayer life.



NEXT WEEK'S READINGS



3rd Sunday Easter, 26 April

1st: Acts 2:14, 22-33

2nd: 1 Pet 1:17-21

Gospel: Lk 24:13-35

ANOINTING & RECONCILIATION

By appointment.



MASS INTENTIONS

Suggested Offering
\$15 per Mass.



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.



COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.



WELCOME TO OUR LADY OF MT CARMEL PARISH

If you are a new parishioner, please introduce yourself to Fr Paul. We could like to know a bit about you and your family. You can also fill in a Parishioner Registration Form and join in the Parish Planned Giving Program.



2020 SACRAMENT DATES

CONFIRMATION

Saturday 13 June 2020 at 6pm

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Sunday 13 September 2020 at 9am



PLEASE PRAY FOR SICK PARISHIONERS

Christine Rhow, Veronica, Maria, Consiglia Ciavatta, Bill Lawrie, Rosa Pallotta, Irwin Beachell, Isabella Da Cunha, Norma Elliott, Lori Tripi, Rudi Tassell, Gordon Smith, David Azzaro, Steven, Davina, Elisabetta Paddon, Vee Appleton, Dermot McKernon, Judith Greer, Edward Fortune, Lou Collova, Franca Kalat ...





STEWARDSHIP: *Theology of Stewardship - A Wider Approach to Fundraising ...* It would be far better pastorally, however, to think through theologically one's whole pastoral approach and allow the theme of giving to flow naturally out of that.



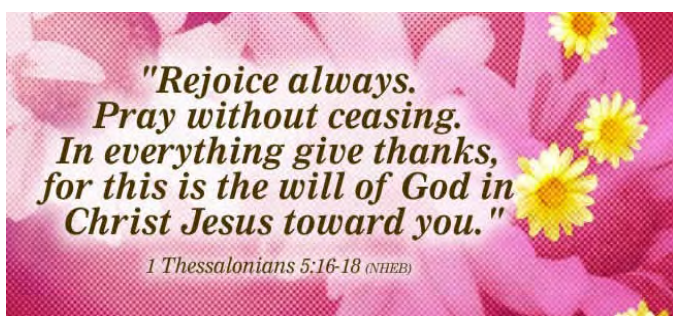
PIETY STALL: Open on Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Sunday mornings before and after 9am Masses. Please contact Marion on 0415 917 496 for more information.



SUPPORT OUR CHURCH REPAIR WORKS: Parishioners are encouraged to think about possible ways of supporting our Parish. In what you can support? Please fill in the new census form. Parishioners who come to our church regularly or occasionally, including volunteers and visitors, please fill in the **New Parishioner Registration Form**. Your presence is very important to our parish. **1.** Consider joining in Planned Giving Programme. **2.** If you are already in the program, please contribute regularly. **3.** Donation of any amount is welcome to support our Church repair. Our small meeting room also needs attention. Any parishioner willing to donate, please contact **Fr Paul**.



THANK YOU! Caritas Australia would like to **THANK YOU** for supporting Project Compassion 2020. If you still have your Project Compassion box or set of envelopes at home, please bring them back next week or visit www.caritas.org.au to make your donation online. Through your generosity you will be empowering the world's most vulnerable communities to grow stronger and share their strengths with their communities to lift themselves out of poverty. www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.



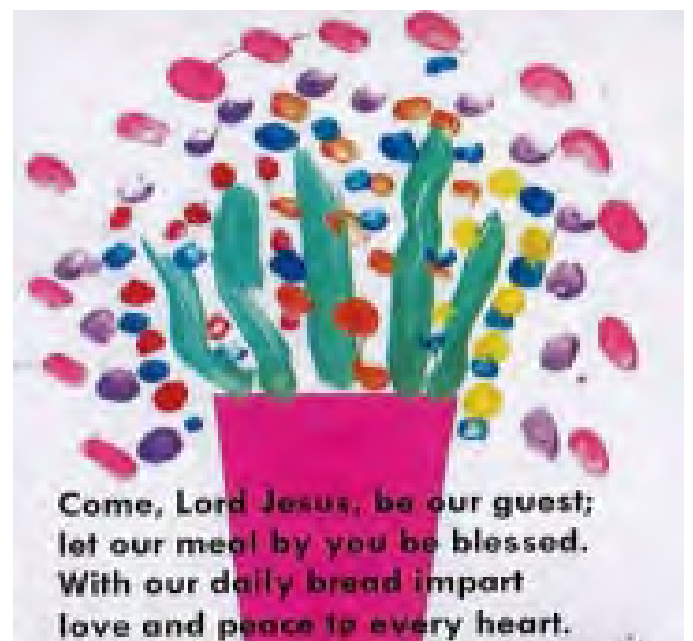
SPIRITUAL COMMUNION
St Padre Pio of Pietrelcina



My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You Sacramentally, come at least Spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Lord, I am not worthy that Thou should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.





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Protecting Children in the Catholic Church

OUR LADY of MT CARMEL NOVENA

God our Father, prompted by Your Spirit the order of Carmel has from the beginning dedicated itself to the Mother of Your Son. As she unites her prayers with ours, look with favour upon us and bless our families, keep each of us from harm And bring us to the joy of heaven. We ask this through Jesus the Lord. *Amen.*



SOULS in PURGATORY PRAYER

Eternal Father, I offer You the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, for those in my own home, and in my family. *Amen.*



OUR LADY of ALL NATIONS PRAYER

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Father, send now Your Spirit over the earth. Let the Holy Spirit live in the hearts of all nations, that they may be preserved from degeneration, disaster and war. May the Lady of All Nations, the Blessed Virgin Mary, be our Advocate. *Amen.*



PRAYER FOR PRIESTS from mark@henningers.com: Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gift of our priests. Through them, we experience your presence in the sacraments. Help our priests to be strong in their vocation. Set their souls on fire with love for your people. Grant them the wisdom, understanding, and strength they need to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. Inspire them with the vision of your Kingdom. Give them the words they need to spread the Gospel. Allow them to experience joy in their ministry. Help them to become instruments of your divine grace. We ask this through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns as our Eternal Priest. *Amen.*

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish Hilton

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

One Hour with Jesus
Wednesday Evenings
7 – 8pm

Friday Mornings
9.30 – 10.30am





THE SAVING WORD

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER – DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY / A

19 APRIL 2020

FIRST READING

Acts 2:42-47

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

The faithful lived together and owned everything in common.

The whole community remained faithful to the teaching of the apostles, to the brotherhood, to the breaking of bread and to the prayers.

The many miracles and signs worked through the apostles made a deep impression on everyone.

The faithful all lived together and owned everything in common; they sold their goods and possessions and shared out the proceeds among themselves according to what each one needed.

They went as a body to the Temple every day but met in their houses for the breaking of bread; they shared their food gladly and generously; they praised God and were looked up to by everyone. Day by day the Lord added to their community those destined to be saved.

■ The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 117:2-4, 13-15, 22-24

R. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting. (or Alleluia.)

1. Let the sons of Israel say: / 'His love has no end.' / Let the sons of Aaron say: / 'His love has no end,' / Let those who fear the Lord say: / 'His love has no end.' **R.**

2. I was thrust, thrust down and falling / but the Lord was my helper. / The Lord is my strength and my song; / he was my saviour. / There are shouts of joy and victory / in the tents of the just. **R.**

3. The stone which the builders rejected / has become the corner stone. / This is the work of the Lord, / a marvel in our eyes. / This day was made by the Lord; / we rejoice and are glad. **R.**

SECOND READING

1 Pet 1:3-9

A reading from the first letter of St Peter

He has given us a new birth as his children, by raising Jesus Christ from the dead.

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who in his great mercy has given us a new birth as his sons, by raising Jesus Christ from the dead, so that we have a sure hope and the promise of an inheritance that can never be spoilt or soiled and never fade away, because it is being kept for you in the heavens. Through your faith, God's power will guard you until the salvation which had been prepared is revealed at the end of time. This is a cause of great joy for you, even though you may for a short time have to bear being plagued by all sorts of trials; so that, when Jesus Christ is revealed, your faith will have been tested and proved like gold – only it is more precious than gold, which is corruptible even though it bears testing by fire – and then you will have praise and glory and honour. You did not see him, yet you love him; and still without seeing him, you are already filled with joy so glorious that it cannot be described, because you believe; and you are sure of the end to which your faith looks forward, that is, the salvation of your souls.

■ The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 20:29

Alleluia, alleluia! / You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; / happy those who have not seen me, but still believe! / Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Jn 20:19-31

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

After eight days, Jesus came in and stood among them.

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them

his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.'

'As the Father sent me,
so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit.

For those whose sins you forgive,
they are forgiven;

for those whose sins you retain,
they are retained.'

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord,' he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you,' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him;

'You believe because you can see me.

Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

■ The Gospel of the Lord.

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Reflections on the Gospel

STILL BEARING THE WOUNDS OF LOVE

Thomas is one of the most clearly defined characters in the Gospels. Born loser, realist, pessimist, he has missed out on the Easter night appearance of Jesus. He won't believe that Jesus has been raised simply on the other disciples' claim: 'We have seen the Lord'. He insists on seeing, touching, hearing for himself.

Eight days later, with divine 'courtesy', Jesus meets Thomas' conditions exactly. But, at the sight of his risen Lord, Thomas abandons these conditions. He, the late-comer, the obtuse one, goes on to make the most exalted act of faith contained in the gospel: 'My Lord and my God!' It is Thomas, the hesitant, the doubter, who brings out the full identity of Jesus.

Moreover, Thomas' demand to see and touch the wounds shows that the risen Lord continues to bear these badges of vulnerable love. Presumably that is why Pope John Paul II chose this Second Sunday after Easter as 'Divine Mercy' Sunday: Jesus is someone to whom we can go and find understanding and mercy in a divine degree.

Jesus adds a comment that brings us into the picture too: 'Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe'. Succeeding generations of believers will not have the privilege of seeing the risen Lord. We have to believe simply the testimony handed down in the Church: 'We have seen the Lord'. We are not at a disadvantage. We are in fact 'blessed' because from us a faith greater than that of Thomas' will be drawn. And it is faith that lets God's power into the world.

Brendan Byrne, SJ